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The Farmers' Institute

For Lawrence County will be held at Louisa Next Week.

The Lawrence County Farmers' Institute will be held at Louisa on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 7th and 8th, under the auspices of the State Department of Agriculture, the State Board of Agriculture, Forestry and Immigration and the Lawrence County Farmers' Club.

All farmers of the county are urged to attend the full sessions of this institute and hear the speakers. Ladies are especially invited. Also, West Virginia farmers are invited and back to attend.

Good speakers and men who are authorities on various subjects of interest to the farmer and stock raiser are sent here to lecture at these institutes and farmers who fail to attend are missing a great deal. There is no cause for complaint on account of lack of attendance at these institutes.

It is just as necessary to keep up with modern methods in farming as any other line of work in order to get the best and most profitable results. Agriculture is the basis of all property. Our farmers have made Webb excellent opportunities if they will get out of the rut and raise the back to help for which new conditions have been demanded.

Pension Examiner Cordell.

V. W. Cordell has again been assigned by the Pension Department to the field. He will have charge of territory covering 22 counties in the end of Kentucky and it is probable that Louisa will be one of the counties for which he will be working for several years and has numerous friends who will welcome him back again. He has been at work in Washington City during the last few years.

The counties assigned are Elliott, Johnson, Knott, Lawrence, Magoffin, Martin, Morgan, Rowan, Bath, Breathitt, Estill, Lee, Leslie, Menifee, Montgomery and Owsley, Perry, Powell and Wayne.

New Manufacturing Firm.

The Boggs, Belcher and Sullivan manufacturing company is a new doing a wood-working business in Louisa. The plant formerly owned by L. D. Boggs and J. D. Belcher with some improvements, is to be used. They will do sawing, planing and make doors, sash, windows, stairs, lath, and all kinds of building material. They are equipped to do good work and have the many experience. They should be as this is a good location. The firm is composed of M. L. Boggs, J. D. Belcher and H. C. Sullivan.

Louisa Public Schools.

The Louisa Board of Education has contracted with Prof. Byington O'Connell to teach the public school. The term will begin Monday, Sept. 7th and continue at least one month, but longer if there is sufficient money in the treasury. The contract is about the same as used for a year. All branches taught in the school are free to those within the school age residing in the district. Commercial course is not included.

Bridge Letting Postponed.

Lawrence Fiscal Court met today in called session to consider the bids for the bridge to be built at Blaine at Cherokee and the bridge at Twila Branch. All bids were rejected because they were too high, at which time the court decided the jobs will be re-advertised. The jobs will be received on July 14th, at which time the court will consider them.

Yesterday last Mr. and Mrs. A. M. I. entertained a few friends. The occasion was marked by the absence of all formality and the presence of all the elements of a delightful evening.

Buildings and Repairs.

R. L. Vinson is having the second story of his handsome residence improved by putting in hardwood floors, decorating the walls and refinishing the woodwork. Rugs and hangings have been ordered to match the walls.

F. H. Yates is having a portion of the roof of his residence raised so as to add two rooms.

The frame work of John G. Burns' residence is being erected. The bricks are here and will be laid as soon as the frame work is ready to receive the veneering wall. Pressed brick of light buff color will be used.

The college foundation was completed several days ago. It is hoped to get the brick work started within the next week or ten days.

The new three-story concrete block building on Main cross street opposite the court house has been started.

The three-story brick building erected by Snyder Bros. opposite the freight depot is about ready to receive the roof.

Painfully Injured.

Lee Wright was very badly hurt Wednesday afternoon while driving his wagon down the grade at the foot of Main street. He was applying his full weight to the brake lever, when it broke and he pitched forward out of the wagon. His head struck on one of the large stones with which the grade is paved. Some men who saw the accident went to his aid and a physician was called to dress the wound. Quite a gash is cut over one eye.

Mr. Wright is a hard worker and has had a run of bad luck lately. He had only recently recovered from a long spell of typhoid fever.

Buchanan.

Married, on June 28, Mr. Samuel G. Compton, of Huletts, to Miss Clara Burton, of Adeline. The bride is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burton, and the groom is the son of the well-known Squire Compton. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Cassady, of Blaine. They were accompanied by the bride's sister and brother, Miss Esther and Will, and their friends Miss Elsie Vanhorn, of Zelma, and Mr. Linzy Nunley, of Huletts. The bride was handsomely dressed in a suit of white silk. The groom wore a suit of brown. Returning at the Squire's home at 6 p. m., when an elegant supper was served. They will reside in Ashland as the groom has a position there.

Hurt in Saw Mill.

James Cunningham, one of the proprietors of the mill recently put to work at cutting the tract of timber which he and Mr. Fenton purchased from Fulkerson Bros., on Catt, had a narrow escape from a horrible death a few days ago. He was knocked down and caught by the log carriage, breaking five ribs and otherwise injuring him. He will probably be brought to the hospital in a few days.

Five New Doctors.

Lawrence county has just furnished humanity with five new life-savers. Their names are Joe C. Bussey, L. Scott Hayes, George Morton Sturgell, Claud M. Vaughan and Jerry M. Wellman, and they graduated from the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville, after having taken a full course of four years. We are informed that the young men made excellent records.

Work on the Dam.

J. C. Thomas lost no time in repairing the damage done by high water to his coffer dam and is now putting in concrete on the U. S. dam at this place. If nothing happens to interfere with the work he will get the concrete work done from the pier to the side of the river in about two weeks.

Part of the forms have been put in place to receive the increase of two feet in the height of the log walls. This addition will be made of concrete.

Children's Day exercises will be held Sunday night at the M. E. church. A good program will be rendered. All are invited.

OUT OF RACE

Are All Candidates for Commonwealth's Attorney in Pike-Johnson-Martin District.

W. R. McCoy, J. M. Boling and John F. Butler have withdrawn from the race for Commonwealth's Attorney in the upper district and it is reported that an agreement has been reached by the party leaders to make Isaac Rice the Republican nominee for this office.

A meeting was held at Inez Wednesday by all the candidates and this is the result. We did not learn the whereabouts of this action, but presume it is in the interest of harmony. The district is solidly Republican.

Boons Camp.

Died—Since our last writing Mrs. Caroline Spriggs. She leaves a husband, and a large family of children all of whom are married.

M. L. K. Wells spent several days at Ashland last week, helping abstract and is now on Daniels creek with J. J. Johnson.

Mrs. Lillie E. Clark is here visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. K. Wells.

Misses Gypsy Boyd and Hester Ward, of Paintsville, visited relatives here last week.

Goe McGlossom, of Bath county, has returned here to spend the 4th. Jno. R. Mollet loaded about \$1,000 worth of the last week, and reports the market somewhat stronger.

Crops are looking fine here since the heavy rains of last week.

Dr. John P. Wells, of White House, passed through here a few days ago en route to Daniels creek.

Jacob A. Wells, son of W. A. Wells, has returned from the Louisville Medical College.

H. J. Meek has moved his store to upper Greasy, where he is doing a good business.

Noah Burchett, of Toms creek, was here recently.

Col. Carter Ward was on our creek recently.

Born, recently to the wife of Granville Ward, a fine boy.

Jesse Branham, and wife, of Woods, Ky., are visiting relatives here.

The 14-year-old daughter of Andrew Hill and wife was stolen by two of Squire Spriggs' boys, Lorenza and Ben, and taken to W. Va. Ben has been captured and given a trial and bound over, but the girl and Lorenza have not, as yet, been located.

Garfield Meeks, son of Elias Meeks, of Henrietta, has organized a socialist club here with about fifty members.

The Baptists will hold their regular annual meeting at the three forks of this creek, beginning the third and holding over the 5th of July.

Lower Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lyons are visiting on Catt.

Mrs. Lewis Fannin is on the sick list.

Miss Laura Chaffin, of Blaine, was up to see her sister, Mrs. Sparks, last week.

Dennie Chaffins was on our creek recently.

Morton Hammonds, of Ollerville, was here last week.

Miss Ella Lyons visited the Prince girls Sunday.

Fred Sparks went to Morgan creek Sunday.

Sherman Fannin, of Fairview, was here recently.

The stork recently visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burchett with a fine baby boy.

Miss Virgie Large contemplates a visit to Carter county soon.

Watt Pennington passed down our creek recently.

Wertle Burton was here recently.

Miss O'Zella Prince was shopping at Oate last week.

Thomas Murphy and wife of Morgans creek was visiting here recently.

Miss Virgie Large attended Sunday school at Morgans creek Sunday.

G. C. Hicks, of Hicksville attended Sunday school at Midway Sunday.

Miss Lillie Burton was here recently.

Miss Bell Burton, of Marion attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Two Girls.

CONVENTION

To Nominate Democratic Candidate for Congress to be Held Aug. 5th.

The Democrats of the Ninth Congressional district will hold their convention at Clyffesde Park in Boyd county on Wednesday August 5th, to nominate a candidate for Congress.

The mass county conventions to send delegates to the district convention will be held at the county seats of the thirteen counties on Saturday, August 1st, at 1:30 p. m.

There are four candidates, all desirable men, and the convention will no doubt be a very interesting one.

The meeting place is a good selection, as there are ample buildings and good hotel accommodations are within easy reach.

Gallup.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Burgess were visiting his brother, Malcolm Burgess, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Peck, who have been visiting friends and relatives at this place, have gone to visit his sister, Mrs. J. G. Sammons, at Summit.

The infant daughter of T. A. Wooten, is dead.

On account of rain our Children's day exercises were postponed until the 4th of July, when there will be a picnic at the oil well, between this place and Donthan. The forenoon will be devoted to the Children's day exercises. After the rendering of the programme, there will be a free for all dinner served on the ground. In the afternoon there will be different kinds of amusements, such as speaking, racing and ball playing. Everybody cordially and urgently invited to come—a good time expected.

Misses Corlida Chapman and Florence Smith spent Sunday with Miss Laura Hanners.

Mrs. J. P. McClure is on the sick list this week.

Harvey Hardin, of Wolf, Ky., is visiting his parents at this place, and is expected to stay for a month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Chapman spent a few days of last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Sammons.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Childers spent Sunday with her parents at Chapman.

Frank Hall, of Muddy Branch, was visiting friends at Chapman last week.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet at Mrs. S. A. Gilkersons Thursday evening. All the members are specially invited to come.

T. S. McClure and wife are visiting C. C. McClure and wife.

Mrs. Marion Hyton, of Torchlight, spent Sunday with Mrs. Blankenship, of this place.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman has been very sick, but is some better at this time.

Mrs. S. Y. Dobbins spent a few days of last week with her sister Mrs. Lacey Wellman, of Ft. Gay.

Myrtle Shannon, Inez, Kendall and Corlida Childers were visiting the sick at T. A. Wooten's Saturday.

The Young People's Meeting will be led by Miss Magie Belcher Sunday night.

Fred Wooten has returned from West Virginia.

The ball game between the Gallup boys and the Louisa second nine resulted in a victory for our boys. The scores running 8 and 10. All praise to the pitcher, who did excellent work. Hurrah for the "corn hoers" and "sang diggers."

Don Belcher was the guest of H. Hanners Sunday.

John Chapman made a business trip to Clifford Monday.

Putty Head.

At a business meeting of the Louisa Baptist church last Sunday evening Mr. Geo. O. Ellis was elected a deacon. Mr. Ellis is one of Louisa's sterling business men and the church is to be congratulated upon such an excellent choice.

Ashland's City Council has raised the tax rate to \$1.49 on \$100 worth. In addition to this they have the county and State taxes. Citizens of Louisa who feel disposed to complain of the tax rate—if any such there be—should notice the difference and consider themselves fortunate.

Base Ball.

The largest crowd that has been attracted to Fountain Park this season went over last Friday afternoon to witness a game between a club composed of Louisa business men and another of professional men. A large number of ladies graced the occasion with their presence.

The game as a whole was very creditable, considering the fact that about two decades had elapsed since some of the players had taken part in a game. The final score stood 12 to 13 in favor of the professionals. Ten innings were required to settle it as they were tied in the 9th. Another game is being played between the same teams this (Thursday) afternoon.

The clubs were made up as follows: Professionals.—M. S. Burns, R. C. McClure, W. D. O'Neal, Dr. Bromley, Dr. Jenks, Bert Shannon, Dr. Mar-cum, A. B. Young and Bob Frazier.

The two last named were substitutes. Business Men.—John Burns, C. R. Bromley, Ed Kirk, G. R. Burgess, G. A. Nash, S. J. Justice, F. H. Yates, R. A. Stone, Ben Burke.

Our Neighbors.

Frankfort, Ky., June 30.—Upon recommendation of all the trial officials, Gov. Cox today pardoned Herrod Fletcher, of Magoffin county, who had served seventeen years of an 18 year sentence for manslaughter.

Vera, the young daughter of Dr. A. H. Moore, received the gold medal in her music class at the Parochial School. Her average was the highest and she memorized the most in a music class of sixty. She is not only a bright young girl, but she is a student—and, besides she has a musical talent.—Ashland Independent.

The Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad Co., according to a report from Huntington, W. Va., contemplate extending into West Virginia via Waterloo and Wellston, Ohio, in order to reach coal and timber land. It is furthermore rumored that the company has made overtures to purchase the Guyan Valley branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway.

Mrs. Arnoldas McClure and three children passed through here yesterday, from their home at Yuma, Ariz., en route to Louisa to visit Mrs. McClure's home folks. Prof. McClure has gone on to Cleveland to attend the N. E. Association, but he will come here later, and also visit in Louisa. Prof. McClure has been re-elected superintendent of the Yuma public schools at a very interesting salary. He is counted one of the most wide-awake educators in Arizona.—Ashland Independent.

"Trusty Bill" Spaulding who has been a dispenser of the ardent contrary to law for a considerable length of time on the Kentucky side of Tug river just opposite Tunnel No. 6 was surprised one day last week by Martin county authorities swooping down on his blind tiger with a liberal quantity of dynamite, blowing it to pieces and setting fire to the wreck, burning what had not been blown away. "Trusty" made good his escape, however, fleeing to West Virginia where he is now in hiding.—Ft. Gay Leader.

Fallsburg.

Cam Dilly, who is under indictment for breaking into W. V. Roberts' store, was arrested at Columbus, O., upon complaint of his bondsmen and held there awaiting a requisition from the Governor, upon receipt of which he will be brought to Kentucky.

George Skeens went to Oklahoma recently, but did not stay long. So I guess he will remain in old Kentucky.

Some of those who moved from here to Oklahoma are writing back that they are moving to Kansas.

W. T. Cain is getting ready for the work of lecturing for the Agricultural Department of the State.

Most of our people will help to celebrate the 4th at Louisa. U. E. S.

The Louisa Lodge of Odd Fellows elected the following officers last Friday night: D. W. Blankenship, N. G.; H. B. Muney, V. G.; H. C. Sullivan, Sec.; James Picklesimer, Treas.

The Louisa Baptist Church will observe the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, Sunday evening, July 5.

BIDS OPENED

For Building Levisa Dam.

A St. Louis Firm is Lowest Bidder, at \$126,189.00.

Bids were opened at Cincinnati last Friday for the construction of Big Sandy river dam in Levisa fork at Chapman, eight miles above Louisa. The lowest bidders were James Skene & Sons, of St. Louis. Their bid is \$126,189.00. The next higher bid was \$129,580.00, by Mason & Hanger, of Richmond, Ky. The highest bid was \$147,810.00. There were four bidders.

The bids for building dam No. 1 on the Tug Fork, four miles above Louisa, are to be opened in Cincinnati today.

Congress appropriated \$235,000.00 for the construction of these two dams, and we presume the total of the two lowest bids will have to come within this figure to be acceptable.

NEW RAILROAD

Reported to be Projected From Holden to Huntington.

The following is from a Huntington paper:

Straight from an authoritative source comes a piece of railroad news of such dimensions as to cause the entire railroad world to sit up and take notice and it is no more than the announcement of the move now on foot by the United States Coal and Oil Co., of Holden W. Va., to build a railroad down the Guyan Valley to Huntington and by so doing get entirely away from domination by the Chesapeake and Ohio. It is said, the line will be continued across the Ohio river into Ohio and to a point about 50 miles north.

A large corps of engineers are now in Holden ready to begin the preliminary surveys. There is little question of the authority of this announcement as it is a positive fact that the company has already arranged for a loan of \$3,000,000.

By building this 125 miles of new road the Holden company will secure an independent outlet for its products to the whole world. Any one can see the tremendous importance to it to Logan and to Huntington of such a line. Take a railroad map and draw a line 50 miles northeast of Huntington and see the four or five important connections thus made possible. The B. & O., the N. & W., the C. & D., the Ohio Central and others give north, south, east and west connections everywhere.

Such a line would be of vast benefit to the Logan field. It would cut out of the clutches of the C. & O. line and would put it in the best position in the State. It would be the only field with competitive outlets.

The United States people as well as all the shippers from this field have been very much dissatisfied with the facilities afforded them by the C. & O. railroad. All have been obliged to take what they could get from the railroad and go without what they wanted. The U. S. Co., however, being able to command the capital, has decided to build independently as above stated.

The Sun's Eclipse.

The eclipse of the sun last Sunday morning attracted a good deal of attention. The sky was clear and the conditions were therefore favorable to a good view. The eclipse was sufficient to turn the bright day into one of haze and twilight effect. About five-sevenths of the sun's surface was obscured.

To Louisa Masons.

Every member of Apperson Lodge is urged to attend a special meeting to be held at the hall on Friday evening, July 3rd, to complete arrangements for the program on the Fourth. Please lay aside all other matters and attend this meeting.

C. C. HILL, W. M.